

Proposed Recipient: University of Georgia

Amount: \$250,000

Contact: Griff Doyle, Director of Federal Relations, 1234 South Lumpkin Street, Athens, GA 30602

Explanation: The University seeks continued funding for an applied research demonstration project in a 9 county region of Southwest Georgia. Working in Calhoun, Clay, Early, Quitman, Randolph, Stewart, Sumter, Terrell and Webster Counties, the project will undertake the critical task of identifying innovative ways to bolster workforce and leadership development in the region.

Proposed Recipient: Southwest Georgia United Empowerment Zone, Inc.

Amount: \$250,000

Contact: Robert Cooke, Executive Director, 1150 Industrial Drive, Vienna, GA 31092

Explanation: Southwest Georgia United Empowerment Zone is requesting funding for capitalization and overhead of its Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI). The CDFI is designed to provide small business support and financial services for underserved populations in rural southwest Georgia.